GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA

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PROPOSALS FROM BVFCL
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any new proposal from Brahmaputra Valley Fertilizer Corporation Limited (BVFCL) Assam regarding setting up of its Fourth Plant and Conversion of Ammonia-II Plant to Methanol Plant;

(b) if so, status of their clearance as well as target;

(c) whether the employees of BVFCL are deprived of their fringe benefit and North Eastern Region Allowance;

(d) if so, the reasons therefore and by when these are likely to be granted; and

(e) the action plan, if any, taken for viable sustenance of the plants at Namrup?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS & MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a): No Sir.

(b): In view of (a) above, the question does not arise.

(c) & (d): A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was entered into between the Workers Unions and the Management of BVFCL on the basis of mutual agreement w.e.f. 22.09.2003 which provides the framework for a wage settlement effective from 01.08.2003 to 31.12.2006. This settlement inter-alia covers pay scales, DA formula, fixation of pay of workmen, annual increments as well as withdrawal of certain allowances/financial benefits, keeping in view the overall financial status of the company.

(e): Any action plan for sustenance of the plants at Namrup is linked to the completion of the Namrup Revamp Project.